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Monday Evening, January 8

## THE INAUGURATION.

To-day, at Springfield, Gov. Tullum and the other state officers are to be inaugurated. The preparations for the inaugural ceremonies have been made on a scale never before equalled in Illinois, companies of military from Quincy, Petersburg, Joliet, Jacksonville, Peoria and Springfield having expressed their intention of being present to participate in the interesting occasion. The inauguration of the Governor, if the programme was carried out, took place in the ball of the House of Representatives at 2 o'clock. This evening Gov. Tullum will hold a grand reception at the executive mansion, which will doubtless be filled by the beauty and chivalry of the state.

The total indebtedness of the state of Illinois is given by State Treasurer Ridgway at \$1,400,000. On the amount \$35,000 was due Jan. 1st, 1877, \$1,172,410.39 Jan. 1st, 1878, and the balance Jan. 1st, 1880.

According to the report of State Treasurer Ridgway the receipts into the state treasury from Dec. 1st, 1874, to October 1st, 1876, were \$9,202,166.99. Payments during same time \$8,979,747.71. Cash on hand Oct. 1st, 1876, \$2,405,031.31.

Mr. George Alfred Townsend has again turned his attention to Mr. Tilden. He writes regrettably from Washington: "I am compelled to say that personal enthusiasm, as one of Mr. Tilden's allies is well nigh defunct. He is hardly an object of unquiescentness. His apparently ambidextrous and nibbling way of obtaining recognition has not affected the incredulity of the supporters of Mr. Tilden, who are more dissatisfied than they can at present confess."

E. L. GODKIN, of the Nation, and George William Curtis, of Harper's Weekly, are hanging on the verge of democracy. They would feel better and be more respected if they would speak out plainly in the democratic tongue. The honest dam would be much more respected than is the sly nibbling they constantly indulge in by their darts and darts and darts of the republican party. We are sick of this "running with the hare and barking with the hounds." — Indianapolis Journal.

## THE SENATORIAL ELECTION.

To reply to numerous inquiries as to the time and manner of electing a United States Senator we publish the following extract from the act of July 25, 1866.

If it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Legislature of each State which shall be chosen next preceding the expiration of the time for which any Senator was elected to represent said State in Congress shall, on the second Tuesday after the meeting and organization thereof, proceed to elect a Senator in Congress, in the place of such Senator so going out of office, in the following manner: Each House shall openly, by viva voce vote of each member present, name one person for Senator in Congress from said State, and the name of the person so voted for, who shall have a majority of the whole number of votes cast in each house, shall be entered upon the journal of each house by the clerk or secretary thereof, but if either house shall fail to give such majority to any person on said day, the fact shall be entered on the journal. At twelve o'clock, meridian, of the day following that on which proceedings are required to take place, as aforesaid, the members of the two houses shall convene in joint assembly, and the journal of each house shall then be read, and if the same person shall have received a majority of all the votes of the said joint assembly, a majority of all the members elected to both houses being present and voting, shall be declared duly elected; and in case no person shall receive such majority on the first day, the joint assembly shall meet at twelve o'clock, meridian, of each succeeding day during the session of the Legislature, and take at least one vote until a Senator shall be elected.

The election in this State will therefore take place on Tuesday, January 16th—or rather a ballot will be taken in the two houses on that day, and if no choice is had the next ballot will take place on Wednesday, the 17th, in joint convention.

## A REFORMER AT WORK.

The anxiety of Mr. William Tilden Pelton, the military secretary and political manager of Samuel Jones Tilden to prevent Mr. Martin, of the firm of Runyan & Martin, from testifying as to the customer for whom that \$8,000 check had been drawn, is peculiar. Mr. Pelton, whom we would naturally expect to find, both in public and private life, animated by the noblest and most beautiful sentiment, appears to have considered it incompatible with the duties of a military secretary and professional reformer to engage in conduct which is generally described as tampering with a witness, and the question was, Why did he do it?

The check had been made payable to the firm of Ladd & Bush, of Salem, Oregon. If it was an honest transaction, occurring in the ordinary course of business relations, there is no reason why Mr. Pelton should have been uneasy about any testimony that Mr. Martin or Mr. Runyan might give, nor is there any reason why these gentlemen should refuse to give the names of their customers. But they display a most unaccountable reluctance to disclose a fact which can easily be forced from them, and Mr. Pelton's uneasiness reached the point of inducing him to set a gentle detective to accompany Mr. Martin to Washington, the mission of the gentle detective being apparently, to find out what Mr. Martin proposed to testify to, and to dissuade Mr. Martin from testifying to any truth which might be disagreeable to Mr. Pelton, or to that important personage who stands in the background behind Mr. Pelton to stimulate his zeal and to reward his energy. It was set down in the eternal fitness of things that the gentle detective that shadowed Mr. Martin should have been very recently the private secretary of ex-Mayor Wickham, after having been more remotely the private secretary of ex-President Davis.—*par while* *reca*.

We do not know that the eight thousand dollar check which was drawn in New York to the credit of parties in Salem, Oregon, on the day after the electors met and put up their little game with the aid of Governor Grover, was designed as slush money to reward Governor Grover for a piece of dirty work which would be poorly paid at any price. We only know that as soon as it was discovered that the existence of the check became known, it was returned, and Gov. Tilden's campaign manager is giving himself a great deal of trouble to prevent anybody from knowing anything about it. He can hardly complain if the popular opinion looks upon his inexplicable interference in this matter, as an attempt to hide a dirty piece of corruption, nor can Gov. Tilden complain if popular opinion holds him responsible for the actions of his political manager. There need be no delicacy about assuming that the slush fund was intended for Gov. Grover, since there was only two "pals" in the job, and the other one has confessed that he drew his pay, \$3,000, before he organized himself as an Electoral College, and prepared to brave the rigors of a month in Washington.

If Mr. Harrison, the ex-Secretary of Jeff. Davis, and Mr. Pelton, the ex-Secretary of Tilden, have any explanation to make of the reasons which induced them to tamper with witnesses and to suppress evidence about the \$8,000 check, we shall be very glad to hear it; but the longer one looks at the case, the less likely it appears to admit of explanation. They make reformers out of queer material nowadays, and some of the methods of the proceedings have had little flavor of honesty in them, but this last revelation rather caps the climax of a long series of outrages. We have had frequent occasion to deplore the unlimited scope of the Congressional dragnet, but it will be some consolation if its toils will close around the active form of Mr. Pelton, and compel him to disclose the ground and meaning of his most suspicious connection with this most suspicious transaction.—*Globe Democrat.*

TIMEs are improving, business is reviving, and the people are taking heart. The banks of this city are receiving larger daily deposits than they have at any time since the panic. Debts are being more promptly paid, and business men are looking up and talking more cheerfully. Gold is dropping slightly day by day, without a corresponding shrinkage in the value of produce. It fell yesterday to \$1 in New York, and it really begins to look as if the effects of specie resumption have been discounted in advance. The business world persistently refuses to allow its tranquility to be disturbed by political "bulldozers." With the speedy removal of the blockade on the leading freight lines so that our produce can reach the seaboard and we get the returning valuable in circulation, money will be abundant and cheap. Now, if congress could by any means be enlightened as to the true condition of affairs, and would give us a rest on the question of who shall count the vote, and all that kind of a thing, and give attention to the revenue and resumption bills, which ten sensible business men could draft and agree upon in ten days, we think probably would abound in all the country.—*Ind. Journal.*

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## TELEGRAPHIC.

## THAT BAR'L.

## Evidence of It's Presence in Oregon.

## TILDEN'S SECRETARY MIXED UP WITH IT.

## More Utterances by the President.

## HEAVY SNOW STORM.

The Bennett-May Firm.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 6.—Gov. Grover testified before the Senate Privileges and Elections Committee today. He knew of no money having been sent to Oregon for election purposes of any sort. He did know that money was raised by subscription by the Chairman of the State Democratic Committee to pay the expenses of the Electoral messenger. There were no arms in the State House or in the private house of witness on the day of the meeting of the Electoral College, or at any time afterwards, does not know Bellinger; was assured from New York that certain parties in the East would be responsible for all necessary expenses in this Electoral matter. It was after the college met that Bellinger collected money for the messenger's expenses; on the morning of the meeting of the Electoral College the witness directed his secretary to draft certificates of Electors and deliver them to the Secretary of State; Judge Dredy introduced the conversation in relation to Watts' case, which took place between the witness and the Judge.

Enos Runyan, of New York, positively declined to give the name of the customer for whom they drew the \$8,000 check, payable to Ladd & Bush, of Oregon.

Senator Kernan stated that he, as counsel of the witness and as a member of the Committee before which the witness was testifying, would advise the witness to answer the question.

Senator Morton repeated the question and the witness again declined to answer.

Barton Harrison, in response to a question put to him by Senator Mitchell, testified that he was, during the rebellion, Secretary of Jefferson Davis and for two years, up to last December, Secretary and legal adviser of Mayor Wickham, of New York. Was consulted by Mr. Runyan day before yesterday regarding the subpoena received by him. Had no previous acquaintance with him, but had reason to expect a call from one of them on that day, because a friend in private conversation that day foreshadowed it.

Senator Morton asked him to state the name of the friend.

Harrison declined to do so, but being pressed by the committee for an answer he stated it was W. T. Pelton, the ex-Secretary of Tilden, have any explanation to make of the reasons which induced them to tamper with witnesses and to suppress evidence about the \$8,000 check, we shall be very glad to hear it; but the longer one looks at the case, the less likely it appears to admit of explanation. They make reformers out of queer material nowadays, and some of the methods of the proceedings have had little flavor of honesty in them, but this last revelation rather caps the climax of a long series of outrages. We have had frequent occasion to deplore the unlimited scope of the Congressional dragnet, but it will be some consolation if its toils will close around the active form of Mr. Pelton, and compel him to disclose the ground and meaning of his most suspicious connection with this most suspicious transaction.—*Globe Democrat.*

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"There will be two inaugurations of governors to-morrow, unless one of them is prevented. I do not, however, propose to interfere with them. I have nothing before me to justify action in the way of recognition of either government, and therefore cannot do so, particularly as a committee of each house of congress is engaged in investigating all facts of the late election, including contents of the two governors and two legislatures, both claiming to be legally elected. For me, under these circumstances, to recognize one or the other, would be hardly justifiable, and I have so informed Gov. Kellogg. The president further said that the democratic state government organization has the sympathy of such a portion of the people of that state, as have the requisite means to give sustenance to it, and their governor and legislature would be recognized by them. The president repeated that he would not interfere by recognizing either government until the contest should be settled through the congressional investigation now in progress, but he should consider it his duty to keep the peace, and prevent bloodshed.

The President, in reply to a question concerning the recent removal of ordnance stores, said the force at Jefferson being small, they were sent to Rock Island, where they could be properly guarded, but he had no knowledge of recent movement of like material from Baton Rouge to New York, although the report might be true.

In regard to the recent publications of interviews with him, the President said that like others, he had freely expressed his views on the electoral question, but had not said what he would or would not do, further than to recognize his successor, legally declared President.

On being asked what he thought of the Democratic meetings to be held tomorrow, in various places, he said they seemed to be intended to intimidate the opposite party and make capital. The effect on the public mind of the North would depend on the character of the proceedings. The people were not to be brought to submission by attempted intimidation. If the speeches delivered at these meetings are temporary or moderate, advising conformity to law and order, and acquiescence in the decision to be reached by Congress, as to which Presidential candidate received a majority of the electoral votes, the Democrats might strengthen their position, otherwise a contrary effect might be the result.

For further information application may be made known to me, at Decatur, Illinois, by letter, to R. W. EHRLICH, Provisional Assignee, Jan. 8, 1876—dwtw.

## Dissolution Notice.

THE partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name of ROBERTS, LYTHE & CO., is dissolved by mutual consent, R. P. Lythe withdrawing from the firm.

P. T. ROBERTS,  
R. P. LYTHE,  
G. Z. GREENE.

The business of the law firm of Roberts, Lythe & Co. will be continued under the firm name of Roberts, Green & Co. Decatur, Ill., Jan. 1, 1876.

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Assignee's Notice.

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The next five cent cigar, at Niedermeyer's, near the mound.

The "Fast Mail" fine cut, sold by Newell & Hammer, suits everybody.

Order Harvey Downing's check from the depot.

B. F. Taylor's black line connects with all trains by day or night. Leave orders at Armstrong's drug store.

Circuit court resumes business today at one o'clock.

Every man seems to be "on his ear" to-day, though we have heard of no serious collisions.

Stop up the crevices about the doors and windows, if you would save fuel.

Trouble begins with the boys and girls to-day.

Warm meals and lunch served all hours at J. J. Drake's Opera Block Restaurant. ocg dif

Order your groceries at Billy Niedermeyer's, and you will get choice goods at the lowest cash prices.

If you want a nice watch at a low price call on H. Post. He has also a very large and select stock of chains, and all varieties of jewelry.

Beautiful lambrequins and all kinds of fashionable curtain goods, at Abel & Locke's.

All kinds of fresh candies manufactured daily at J. J. Drake's, Opera Block. ocg dift

It would be interesting to know just what thoughts rush through the mind of a man who sits down a slippery sidewalk to rest.

We never knew a scolding person that was able to govern a family.—What makes people scold? Because they cannot govern themselves. How can they govern others? Those who govern well are generally calm. They are prompt and resolute, but steady and mild.

Everybody likes the "Good Record," a hard coal self-feeding heating stove, sold by R. C. Crocker. He also sells the "Rotary," a soft coal base burner, which, as a heating stove, is not exceeded, together with various other styles of heating stoves, and a large and desirable assortment of cooking stoves and ranges. Call and see his stock before purchasing.

Scientific men all use Babbit's Best Soap, for they say that in addition to its being the purest and absolutely harmless, it is the cheapest from an economical standpoint. Scientists rule the world to-day, and their words should always be carefully heeded by the wise.

If times are hard and you think it necessary to curtail expenses, look about you and see if there is not some trifling matter you can dispense with, which will enable you to take our paper for the next year. No family can well afford to be without a county paper, even though the times are ever so severe.—Money spent for a good newspaper is judiciously invested.

Very soon the lawless loyer will attempt to obtain a kiss by threatening to bulldoze his sweetheart, and the parental returning board will proceed to count him out. A gunboat and a platoon of soldiers will be required to preserve the peace.

Old Probabilities soured on humanity again yesterday, and turned the balmy air of Saturday into a chilling northeast wind yesterday, which brought along with it a lively snowstorm. Not content with this, during last night he gave the weather screw another turn, which brought the mercury down to zero; and to-day he keeps his grip firm upon the lever, while an ominous whisper in the air threatens another turn of the screw to-night, which will probably cause the weather indicator to say "ten below" to-morrow morning.

Taking a tew in Church — to see an old tobacco muncle take a chew in church is always an amusing sight. He seems to labor under the impression that a certain number of the congregation have their eyes fixed on him, and so uses a strategy that would accomplish wonderful things if it only were used to some good object. The first movement is to put his hand carelessly in his pocket where he knows the sweet and delicious morsel lies. Keeping one eye on the minister and the other on his nearest neighbors, he gradually withdraws his hand, and, very unconcerned, rests his elbow on the pew. Then he takes another look around, bows his head on the pew, before him as in silent prayer, and that "chew" is doing duty. Drawing his pocket-handkerchief from his pocket he blows his nose and would be willing to take a solemn oath that no one saw him do it.

Sunday School Election.—The African M. E. Sunday School held its annual election of officers yesterday. The following is the list:

L. R. Hogan, Superintendent.  
Robert Rogers, Secretary.  
William M. Buchanan, Misses Olive Bird and Mary Frances Brown, Teachers.  
George Dennis, Librarian.

The school is in a prosperous condition, and is doing a good work among the colored children of the city.

The News.—The first number of the News, a three column monthly, with A. D. Willis, editor and publisher is before us. It contains some funny sayings, which are said in a funny way, and presents a very neat and attractive appearance. The editor expresses the hope that he may soon be able to issue his paper weekly.

## TILE CHURCHES YESTERDAY.

The weather being mild and comfortable yesterday morning the churches were well attended, but the snowfall of the afternoon and evening interfered somewhat with church-going at night, and the congregations were not as large. At the

U. S. CHURCH, the pulpit was filled morning and evening, by the pastor, Rev. J. Kretzinger, Mr. Kretzinger is an old Itinerant, and has seen a great deal of hard service, both in the way of work and exposure.

Evidently his work, in a few years at most, will be done. Mr. K. is not a polished speaker, but his sermons abound with practical good sense and biblical truth. Experimental and practical piety are his favorite themes, and if the people will do as he tells them, they will surely do honor to God and to themselves.

His morning sermon was from the 1st chapter and 7th verse of the 1st Epistle of John; Christian Fellowship was the theme, and the following, amongst other points, were made: Fellowship with God—"with the Father and his Son Jesus Christ," and "walking in the light,"—was made the basis of all true Christian fellowship. We may have neighborhood society, and even denominational fellowship, and not Christian. We must be one in Christ. This consists, said the speaker, of oneness of faith or belief. The standard, I fear, was fixed so high here that it is not likely to be ever reached in this world. But it is commendable, at least for Christians, to work up to it, or towards it.

We agree with the preacher, that if people were to go to their bibles instead of pulpits more, there would not be so much difference in their creed. There must be also a oneness of heart experience—a oneness of love, of joy, of sympathy, for each other. Christians were urged to examine their hearts, to see that no malice or ill-will was lurking there. They were urged to restrain their tongues, as so much of our church divisions and strife comes from evil speaking—"whisperings and back-biting." Then there must be a fellowship or oneness of work and worship. Christians of different churches must be able, must be glad, to unite with each other in songs of praise, in meetings for prayer, at the sacramental board, and in all the divinely instituted means of grace. It won't do to shut ourselves up in our own little fold and say, "stand off; I am holier than thou." We must work together. Religious denominations must be one when they enter the Lord's vineyard; they are not there to find fault and abuse each other, but to work—to work for the Lord. No matter how successful we are in pulling down each other, if we are not busy in the overthrow of the kingdom of darkness, we had better be doing nothing.

The case for The People was conducted by D. L. Bunn, Esq., and the boys were defended by Thomas Lee, Esq. This case may be a warning to city boys to conduct themselves properly when they go away from home to school.

An Important Question.—The following little incident is said to have occurred not very far from here, and as the dialogue which it embraces is somewhat interesting one, we give it, and as the closing question is at once peculiar and profound, it may awaken thought in our readers upon a somewhat intricate subject. Here is the story:

A promising youth of only seven summers, who had been accused of not always telling the truth, cross-examined his father. "Father, did you use to lie when you were a boy?" "No, my son," said the paternal, "who evidently did not recall the past with any distinctness." "Nor mother either," persisted the lawyer. "No; but why?" "Oh, because I don't see how two people who never told a lie could have a boy that tells as many as I do." The problem has never been solved. There is a mistake somewhere, and the chances are that it was not made by the boy.

Encouraging.—In conversation with our merchants, on Saturday last, we were pleased to learn that trade had kept up during the week much better than was anticipated, and that there was not the marked falling off in business which has generally succeeded the holidays. We hope that the same state of affairs may continue and that there will be no depressing stagnation of business between now and the opening of spring trade. Large sales of corn and hogs will put money into the hands of farmers so that they will be in a condition to make such purchases as their convenience and comfort may require.

For Rent—House 51 West William street, owned by Peter Troutman. Terms apply to W. H. Linn.

Nov. 14 dif

If you want Fresh Ground Feed call on A. A. MURRAY, 21 North Main st.

Dec 18 difw

Great Bargains in Jewelry at J. L. Kneiper's, 24 Merchant street.

Feb. 7-difw.

Baled Hay—For sale at Caldwell Brothers' Stable, on West Main street.

Dec 11 dif

Dry Board—First-class dry board, at Drake's Restaurant, opera block.

Oct. 18 dif

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Dec 18 difw

A Barrel of Money Saved by buying your boots and shoes at Ferriss.

No more wet nor cold feet. One price.

Dec. 1-dif

Pike, the Jeweler, keeps the best Spectacles in the city, and sells them at reasonable price.

[Sept 1-dif]

Hagan's Magnolia Balm preserves and restores the complexion; removes freckles, tan and sallowness; makes the skin soft, white and delicate. Its application cannot be detected.

March 10, 1876—dead wly

Don't forget that you can save some money if you want to buy a watch and chain, handsome set of jewelry, or anything in the jewelry line, at J. L. Kneiper's, 24 Merchant street.

Nov. 29 difw

Abel & Locke have a choice lot of carpet goods, which all should see before purchasing.

J. P. Maral is still giving the people "good understanding" in the shape of superior fine boots made to order; and he has also a full and select stock of ready-made boots and shoes.

Vick's Flower and Vegetable Garden, 60 cents a paper; in elegant cases \$1.00. Address Rochester, New York.

December 21, 1876—difw

Wicks' Flower and Vegetable Garden, 60 cents a paper; in elegant cases \$1.00. Address Rochester, New York.

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The People Want Proof.

There is no medicine prescribed by physicians, or sold by druggists, that carries such evidence of its success and superior virtue as BOSSIER'S GEMMA SYRUP for severe Coughs, Cold, and

a disease of the Throat and Lungs. A

proof of that fact is that any person afflicted, can get a sample bottle for

nothing, and try its superior effect before buying; the regular size at 75 cents.

It has lately been introduced in this country from Germany, and its wonderful cures are astonishing everyone that use it. These does will relieve any case.

Try it. Sold by A. J. Stoner, B. F. Gue

8 Soo and Theo. Hildebrandt, druggists.

Nov. 15, 1876—difw

Christmas Trees, Cheap.—Leave or

ders at R. Liddle's.

Dec 13-dif

R. LOEB'S IRON WORKS!

CORNER OF BROADWAY AND THE Z. W.

& W. H. E., Decatur, Illinois.

Keep's Patent Party Made Shirts,

\$1.00 and the Manhattan shirts, made

complete, \$1.25—the best and cheapest

shirts in the market, at

Linn & Scruggs.

June 2-dif.

Hemp Carpets reduced from 16¢ cents

to 12¢ cents a yard, at

Linn & Scruggs.

Dec 22-dif

Caramels, Butter Scotch and

Maple Taffies, at

DRAKE'S, Opera Block

Dec 22-dif

## PROCLAMATION.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
DECATUR, ILL., Jan. 3, 1877.

By direction of the City Council I hereby proclaim to the owners, trustees, directors, or others having charge of public halls, churches, school houses, opera houses, theaters, and other buildings used for any purpose whereby a collection of people may be assembled.

It is the desire of the city that all doors leading from the main hall or principal room, and from the building, shall be open outward from the main hall or building to the street.

I hereby give notice, that if the above proclamation is not complied with within fifteen days from date, the penalty

is a fine of not less than one hundred, or more than one thousand dollars.

Jan. 6-dif

W. W. FOSTER.

Wanted.—By a man and wife, a situation in the city—the man to care for horses and do work about the premises.

The woman is a first-class cook, and understands general housework. Address A. B., at this office.

Jan. 5-dif

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April 7-dif Linn & Scruggs.

Prof. Fero's Dancing Class will meet at Powers' Hall on Friday evening of this week.

Jan. 6-dif

## PAY YOUR TAXES

The tax books for Decatur city and township are now in my hands, and as the time for collection is about one month shorter than usual, prompt payment is particularly requested.

Office with City Register.

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PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.  
The contest has passed through a fierce Presidential election, and the result has been left in a dangerous and indecisive state. The election was so close, and the closeness of the election, the angry disputes as to the votes of certain States, and the failure of the Constitution to provide any tribunal to settle doubts or decide contested points.

GUY HAYES ELECTED.

From the best light before us, THE Tribune believes that Hayes has received 182 electoral votes, and will be inaugurated President on the 4th of March, 1877. The highest count of the South, as well as of the North, stands at 180, and Hayes has 182.

DANGER OF ANOTHER WAR.

Both sides are grave apprehensions that a military movement on either side, seeking to inflict the defeated candidate into the office of the Executive, will lead to another civil war. In view of the gravity, and indeed of the uncertainty of the election, the angry disputes as to the votes of certain States, and the failure of the Constitution to provide any tribunal to settle doubts or decide contested points.

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## PEKIN, LINCOLN & DECATUR R. R.

Express..... Depart: 7:30 a. m.  
Mail..... Arrive: 7:30 p. m.  
Express..... Depart: 10:30 p. m.  
Mail..... Arrive: 11:15 a. m.  
J. S. COOK, General Manager,  
K. BARROW, Agent.

## MARK THESE FACTS

The Testimony of the Whole World.

### HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.

"I had no appetite." Holloway's Pills gave me a hearty one."

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